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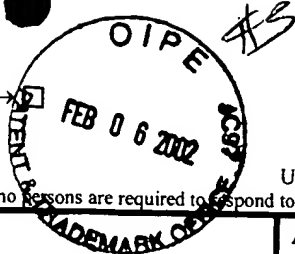
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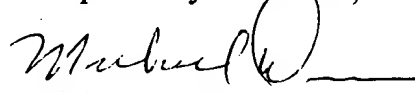
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102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
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110 18	210 9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examination action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
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117 920	217 460	Extension for reply within third month	
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128 1,960	228 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 320	219 160	Notice of Appeal	
120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
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142 1,280	242 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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